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In re: Patent Application of : Group Art Unit: 1616
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 14, 2002 (Paper No. 6), in the above-identified application. This response is being timely filed on or before the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for response.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims and withdrawal of the Examiner's rejection, in light of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 10-30 are currently pending in the present application.

In Paper No. 6, the Examiner rejects claims 10-30 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the Specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventors, at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention. Specifically, the Examiner contends that claims 10-30 recite compounds not described in the present Specification. The Examiner contends that claim 10, for example, recites a process for producing sterol phosphates.

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